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FOR THE

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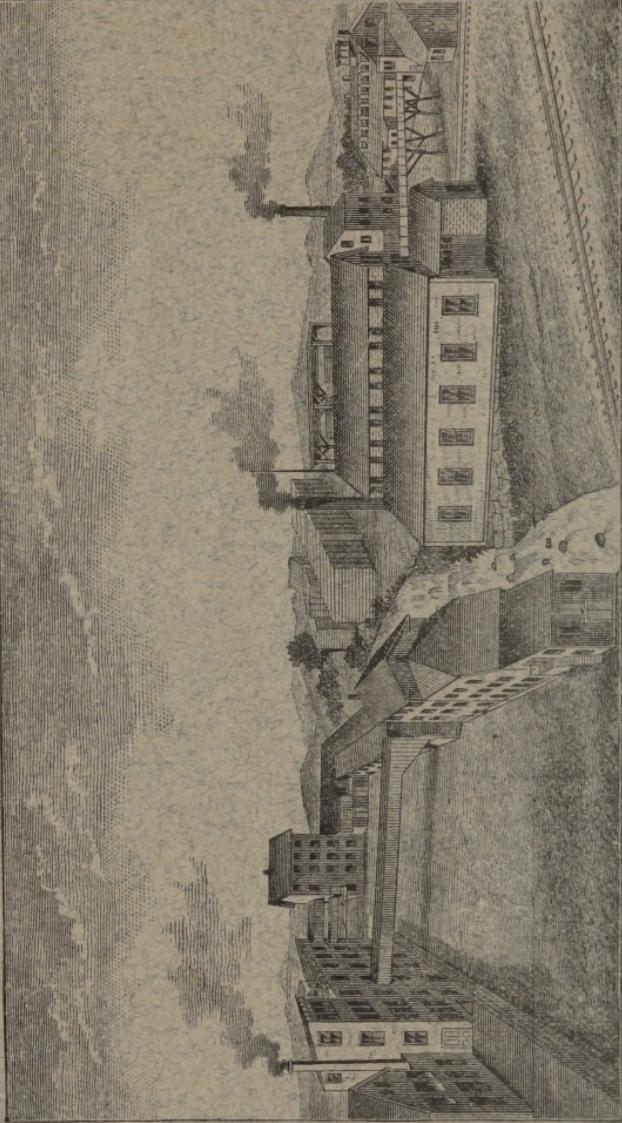
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# FINANCIAL REPORT, OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1883.

CHARLES C. TALLMAN,  
HAZEN E. CARR, } Selectmen.  
EDWIN C. FRANKLIN,

## VALUATION OF TOWN, APRIL 1st, 1882.

Real estate,	\$365,463 00
Non-resident estate,	5,560 00
262 horses,	15,746 00
1162 cattle,	31,844 00
4516 sheep,	10,602 00
58 hogs,	393 00
Mills and machinery,	6,100 00
Bank stock,	600 00
Money at interest,	39,728 00
Stock in trade,	25,240 00
Carriages,	1,716 00
261 polls,	26,100 00
Total valuation,	\$529,092 00
Taxes on dogs,	50 00
State tax for 1882,	\$1,124 00
County tax for 1882,	1,734 57
To defray town charges,	1,500 00
To pay interest on town debt,	200 00
To liquidate town debt,	500 00
School tax for 1882,	983 50
Town tax for support of schools,	500 00
Total money tax,	\$6,542 07
Add 5 per cent. allowed by law,	327 10
Total amount of money tax for 1882,	\$6,869 17

To support highways and bridges,	\$1,200 00
Add 5 per cent. allowed by law,	60 00
Total highway tax for 1882,	———— \$1,260 00
Rate of tax in money on \$100 00,	\$1 30
Rate of tax in labor,	24

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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ISAAC WILLARD, Treasurer.

March 1, 1883.

Balance in hand of Treasurer, March 1, 1882,	\$2,571 19
Rec'd from Daniel C. Clark, liquor agent,	\$57 79
" The County of Grafton,	180 39
" State Treasurer R. R. tax,	5 46
" " Savings Bank tax,	190 54
" " Literary fund,	91 08
" School rents,	343 88
Interest from town notes,	33 40
	———— 902 54
Balance of taxes for 1881,	\$476 52
Rec'd of Collector on taxes of 1882,	6,658 57
	———— 7,135 09
	———— \$10,608 82

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Mrs. Eunice Rogers,	\$50 00
Interest on town notes,	31 00
Total,	———— \$81 00

## LABOR ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

David B. French,	\$16 99
John Roberts,	5 63
Thomas Huckins,	9 28
Henry J. Finney,	20 93
Luther S. Gage,	39 00
Daniel T. Hale,	86 42
John O. Carr,	8 25

Isaac Hartwell,	17 60
John Cunningham,	22 29
John E. Chesley,	28 48
Charles C. Tallman,	31 50
Anson L. Chandler,	1 35
Edwin C. Franklin,	29 05
Daniel A. Blood,	7 23
George W. Kibbee,	3 00
James E. Sawyer,	5 50
John W. Lamprey,	2 50
John S. Corliss,	2 00
William H. Horton,	38 93
Stephen B. Poor,	7 95
Edwin Bugbee,	2 12
Joseph H. Barber,	1 83
John Bickford,	4 48
Emore Dennis,	8 72
John G. Stickney,	20 75
Horace Clough,	23 34
Joseph Cross,	6 54
Luther S. Gage,	5 50
Frank E. and Earnest W. Cushman,	14 07
William Stetson,	16 07
Asa S. Rhoades,	3 80
	— \$491 10

## PLANK AND TIMBER.

Morrison & Tillotson,	13 86
John O. Carr,	5 57
John E. Chesley,	2 00
Edwin Bugbee,	36 26
Thomas Huckins,	3 00
John W. Lamprey,	12 98
Tillotson & Cushman,	10 50
Daniel T. Hale,	35 25
	— \$119 42

## BREAKING SNOW PATHS.

John G. Stickney,	\$35 60
Horace Clough,	19 08
George E. Leonard,	2 88
Thomas Huckins,	19 10

Stephen B. Poor,	3 00
John W. Lamprey,	3 48
Samuel R. Morrison,	3 00
Henry J. Finney,	22 50
Edwin C. Franklin,	19 40
Israel H. Gilbert,	*6 96
D. B. French,	24 88
Charles Davis,	8 00
John Bickford,	3 94
Joseph Cross,	10 92
John Roberts.	5 04
John Cunningham,	2 52
John E. Chesley,	23 28
Frank E. and Earnest W. Cushman,	6 19
John Davis,	1 08
Samuel W. Lamprey,	4 44
Samuel S. Houghton,	5 64
	———— \$230 93

## EXPENSE OF COUNTY POOR.

William H. Bigelow, support of Sarah D. Powers,	\$10 00
John P. Downing, " " "	13 50
Zerah C. Mann, " " "	18 38
Charles T. Savage, " Miss Sally Adams,	35 00
	———— \$76 88

## EXPENSE OF TOWN POOR.

Jonathan S. Ford, support of Susan H. Dow,	\$58 00
Town of Wentworth, support and medical at- tendance for do.,	16 25
William Stetson, support of Mrs. Charles Archer,	22 00
William C. Fox, support of do.,	30 44
Arthur W. Blair, medical attendance for Mrs. Josiah Archer,	7 50
Willard Brothers, merchandise for do.,	5 00
Charles C. Tallman, merchandise for James M. Archer,	6 25
Willard Brothers, merchandise for do.,	20 94
John R. Pierce, support of Dora Quint,	66 00
Arthur W. Blair, medical attendance for do.,	5 00
Willard Brothers, merchandise for do.,	6 66

John A. Worthen & Son, merchandise for J. B. Simpson,	9 62
John Whitmore, medical attendance for do.,	54 00
George Savage, services as sexton,	2 50
Asa S. Rhoades, for Monroe Stevens,	7 20
	————— \$317 36

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Ephraim B. Strong, services as Justice,	\$3 76
Alexander McLane, " "	2 00
Chapman & Lang, legal services,	5 00
Paul Lang, " "	12 95
Levi G. Sheldon, work in west cemetery,	2 00
John B. Chase, work in east cemetery,	7 00
Frank E. and Earnest W. Cushman, work in east cemetery,	2 00
George Savage, do.,	4 37
Isaac Hartwell, furnishing water for highway,	3 00
Luther P. Sherburne, " "	2 00
Samuel Howland, " "	3 00
Edwin Bugbee, " "	3 00
Jonathan Whitecomb, " "	3 00
Edwin C. Franklin, bounty on crows,	1 90
Charles C. Tallman, " "	5 20
Hazen E. Carr, " "	2 80
Charles L. Bean, damage on sheep,	3 00
Stephen Chandler, " "	5 00
Eliza A. French, " "	6 00
Willard Bros., school books, etc.,	7 33
J. B. Sanborn, blanks,	1 25
Edson C. Eastman, books and blanks,	11 35
Chas. Rogers, cash for liquors,	31 00
Harry E. Parker, printing town reports,	12 00
George W. Lamprey, care of town house, wood, and fires,	4 00
George W. Lamprey, lumber, and repairs on town house,	14 57
Allen A. Clough, lettering guide boards,	3 50
Daniel C. Clark, services as Liquor Agent,	43 75
Benj. F. Trussell, services as Auditor,	4 00
H. C. Cushman, " "	4 00
Isaac Willard, " "	6 00
Benj. F. Trussell, services as Town Clerk,	35 57
James M. Learned, services as Supervisor,	13 50

Samuel R. Morrison,	"	"	10 00
George H. Russell,	"	"	5 00
Daniel C. Clark, Superintendent,			63 00
Charles C. Tallman, services as Overseer of the Poor,			25 00
Charles C. Tallman, services as Selectman,		121 75	
Hazen E. Carr,	"	"	55 00
Edwin C. Franklin,	"	"	43 25
			———— \$601 80
State tax,			\$1,124 00
County tax,			1,734 57
Paid School districts,			1,748 61
Balance in hands of treasurer,			4.083 15
			————
Total disbursements,			\$10,608 82

#### CONDITION OF SCHOOL FUND.

Surplus revenue in notes,		\$825 00
" " " cash,		3,183 57
		———— \$4,008 67
Literary fund in notes,		\$699 11
" " cash,		3,749 66
" " state.		287 08
		————
		\$4,735 85
Drawn out for school purposes,		387 08
		———— 4,348 77
Total literary fund,		———— \$8,357 44

P. S.—The above funds are in the hands of the Selectmen.

We have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, as presented by their Treasurer, and find them correctly cast, and properly vouched. All of which is respectfully submitted.

ISAAC WILLARD,  
HARTWELL C. CUSHMAN, }  
BENJAMIN F. TRUSSELL. } Auditors.

## RECAPITULATION.

March 1, 1883.

Balance from year 1882,	\$2,571 19
" Of taxes of 1881,	476 52
Received on taxes for 1882,	6,658 57
" From all other sources,	902 54
	————— \$10,608 82

## CONTRA.

Paid interest on town notes,	\$31 00
" Town notes, Eunice Rogers,	50 00
" For highways and bridges,	491 10
" For plank and timber,	119 42
" For breaking snow paths,	230 93
" For county poor,	76 88
" For town poor,	317 36
Miscellaneous town expenses,	601 80
Paid state tax,	1,124 00
" County tax,	1,734 57
" School districts,	1,748 61
Cash on hand,	4,083 15
	————— \$10,608 82

## RECOURSES OF TOWN.

March 1, 1883,

School fund,	\$4,615 69
Due from Grafton county,	76 88
Note and interest against T. J. Page,	122 66
" " " Alphonzo Smith,	26 66
" " " Perley Mason,	121 45
" " " J. W. Sanborn,	119 10
School rents due,	85 00
Taxes in hands D. T. Hale for collection year 1882,	500 00
Liquors on hand,	80 09
Cash on hand,	4,103 15
	————— \$9,850 68

## CONTRA.

Due school districts,	2,550 99
Notes against town,	848 38

Interest,	301	13
School fund used by town from literary fund,	3,599	66
Due from surplus revenue,	3,183	57
		\$10,483 73
Liabilities over recourses,	8633	05

**STATEMENT OF HIGHWAY TAX BILLS.**

Districts.	Surveyors.	Amt. Commuted.
No. 1,	James E. Sawyer,	\$45 97
" 2,	Henry C. Gardner,	74 73
" 3,	Asa G. Rhoades,	89 16
" 4,	John Bickford,	28 17
" 5,	Joseph Cross,	8 60
" 6,	John G. Stickney,	5 59
" 7,	Edwin C. Franklin,	16 03
" 8,	Emon Dennis,	5 13
" 9,	William Stetson,	11 08
" 10,	Isaac Hartwell,	6 85
" 11,	Earnest W. Cushman,	25 71
" 12,	David B. French,	13 63
" 13,	Thomas Huckins,	43 79
" 14,	Horace Clough,	16 85
" 15,	John Cunningham,	11 44
" 16,	Thomas M. Rugg,	8 98
" 17,	William H. Horton,	19 95
" 18,	Luther S. Gage,	6 67
" 19,	Henry J. Finney,	8 93
" 20,	John Roberts,	2 16
" 21,	John E. Chesley,	13 52
Total.		\$46

## A Tabular Statement of School Money for the year 1883.

School Money raised by tax for the year 1883	\$983 50	Interest on Surplus rev- enue,	\$240 51
School rents due January 1, 1883,	111 66	Taken from Literary Fund,	100 00
Special tax by vote of town,	500 00	Received from State,	287 08
Divided by the scholar,	\$1595 16	Divided by the district,	\$627 59

Number of District, 1883	Names of the Prudential Committee.	No. of Scholars.	School Tax and Rents.		Amount due Districts for 1883.	Total Amount due Districts for 1883.	Amount paid Districts for the year ending March 1st, 1883.
			Literary Fund and Surplus Revenue.	Amount due Districts for 1883.			
1 Alonzo E. Pennock.	20	\$143 00	\$48 27	\$191 27	\$230 05	\$133 00	
2 William Stetson.	53	379 95	48 27	428 22	380 22	243 33	
3 Ellen M. Carr.	20	143 00	48 27	191 27	199 88	109 57	
4 Webster P. Blodgett.	25	178 75	48 27	227 02	319 80	177 22	
5 John M. Sargent.	7	50 05	38 27	98 32	130 48	78 90	
6 Joseph D. Cross.	6	42 90	48 27	91 17	91 17	105 50	
7 George E. Learned.	23	164 45	48 27	212 72	221 29	158 00	
8 Daniel T. Hale.	7	50 05	48 27	98 32	161 33	67 40	
9 Newton S Morey.	16	114 40	48 27	162 67	285 57	131 25	
10 George M. French.	14	100 10	48 27	148 37	165 07	107 00	
11 Walter S. Horton.	18	128 70	48 27	176 97	207 23	174 00	
13 David Wilcox.	8	57 20	48 27	105 47	53 32	52 15	
15 W. W. Johnson.	5	35 75	48 27	84 02	92 58	87 35	
Israel H. Gilbert.	1			4 00		4 00	

REPORT  
—OF THE—  
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1883.

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It is a source of great satisfaction to your Committee in submitting his third annual report to the citizens of the town of Orford, that he is able to bear witness to a prosperous condition in the cause of Common Schools. A generous appropriation of money was levied by tax upon our citizens at our annual meeting, above the rents due from public funds. Our Prudential Committees generally have manifested care and anxiety in the selection of teachers, in the necessary repairs of the school houses, in a suitable degree of watchfulness with regard to the schools while in operation, as well as the lesser duties imposed upon this sometimes *thankless* office.

Parents and guardians of our school children, and friends of education, have shown by their visits as recorded in our school registers, pleasant indications that they appreciate something of the immense importance they are to have on the coming men and women of this town, alike in their individual relations in the state or elsewhere. To the unthinking, our Common School system, its laws, in their details, may seem as an annoyance in the shape of burdensome, needless taxation, while to the wise and best minds of our communities, they are no less than necessary pillars of our free institutions.

Let all understand their true relations to the well being

and social order of all, the national prosperity in its varied interests, and none can be indifferent to their success. We can but recognize in our free school system the germ from which have sprung under a kind Providence the great blessings, religious, social and political, we are permitted to enjoy. With what strong emotion they appeal to us in their mission to equalize privilege alike to the young, be they children of the wealthy or poor. Through their doors the temple of learning is open to all, the child of the richest citizen side by side with the child of the poorest, meet on a common level, started and directed by the same fostering care, through the opportunities our schools afford, until fitted for higher advantages, for development, and become competitors for places of position, trust and honor. A thought is here reiterated which was presented in my former report. J. W. Patterson, our State Superintendent of Public Instruction, in his report called special attention to it: the question of retaining the present number of school districts, or concentrating them. I believe the intelligence and disinterestedness of our citizens ought to decide their limits.

If I can say nothing new to teachers, I can bring facts to their minds worthy of consideration. Teachers are placed in a responsible position, and their aim should be higher than the pay they are to receive. Some who have taught the past year, should learn to impart knowledge with more ease, and govern their schools more successfully. While in some schools the appearance was praiseworthy, the orderly and quiet manner in which the recitations were conducted, affording evidence of a presence of a law not of force, but of respect for the teacher, in other schools the opposite might be seen, the teacher lacking energy, the scholars imbibing the spirit, and the whole machinery of the school room showing a heavy and lumbering movement. Some teachers fail to encourage the backward pupils under their care, and use more labor with the forward ones. In no case is this commendable. The plodder often outstrips the forward youth. Both require the same courtesy and attention. Others help the scholars to answer the questions, and put them in a way to say yes or no. While others are not thor-

cough in their recitations, their eyes must be on their text-book without thought of application or illustration.

The scholars in District No. 9 who from whatever cause were deprived from the privileges of the winter term of school, lost the services of an excellent teacher. A daily record of the conduct and recitations of each scholar during the school, the same carried to their parents, was a stimulus for self-respect and respect to others. This was required by the teacher in District No. 1. Very fine specimens of map drawing were exhibited as the production of the larger pupils in District No. 3. The most thorough drill in reading is being taught in District's No. 2 and 14. The Roll of Honor numbers forty-two pupils.

DANIEL C. CLARK, S. S. Committee of  
Common Schools for the Town of Orford.

# STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of District.	Term.	NAME OF TEACHER.	No. of weeks of School.	Whole No. of Scholars.	No. of Pupils in Reading.	No. in Spelling.	No. in Penmanship.	No. in Arithmetic.	No. in Geography.	No. in Grammar.	No. in History.	No. in Book Keeping.	No. in Algebra.	No. between 5 and 15 not attending School.	No. between 5 and 15 in Oxford, April 1st, 1882.
1	1	Lottie N. Gannett.	12	13	13	13	11	10	4	2	2	2	2		Males
2	2	Nellie Lang.	12	15	15	15	15	15	12	3				79	
		Florence Pringle.													
& 12	1	Rose A. Pierce.	10	27	27	27									Females
	2	Rose A. Pierce.	10	31	31	31									72
14	3	Rose A. Pierce.													
3	1	Alice Rogers.	8	18	18	18	15	12	2	1	1			1	
	2	Alice Rogers.	6	15	15	15	12	14	12	2					
4	1	Abbie E. Clark.	8	15	15	15	14	6	9	1					
	2	Charles W. Marston.	10	18	18	18	17	16	8	3	1				
	3	John B. Foster.	12	24	24	24	3	24	4	4	4				
5	1	May D. Clement.	8	8	8	8	4	4	2						
	2	Charles W. Marston.	10	14	14	14	7	6	4	3	5	2	2		
6	1	Myrtie E. Underhill.	4	3	3	3									
7	1	Abbie M. Whitcher.	8	15	15	15	5	11	8	2					
	2	George F. Plummer.	8	18	18	18	5	12	8	3	2	1			
	3	Abbie E. Clark.	12	18	18	17	9	14	9	3	2	1	1		
8	1	Mindie B. Bean.	10	6	3	3	3	2	3	3					
	2	Emma L. Whitman.	12	4	4	4	3	4	4	2					
9	1	Mary A. Clark.	8	10	10	10	10	8	9	2			1		
	2	Ellen N. Sawyer.	7	8	8	8	8	8	3						
	3	Herbert B. Converse.	9	8	8	8	8	8	3						
10	1	Angie N. Lamprey.	9	13	13	13	12	13	6	2					
	2	Angie N. Lamprey.	12	11	11	11	10	10	6	2	7				
11	1	Mary A. Howe.	9	11	11	11	7	8	7	2				2	
	2	Mary A. Howe.	11	12	12	12	7	11	11	3	1	1			
13	1	Mary E. Bugbee.	12	9	8	7	7	6	4						
15	1	Emma L. Finney.	8	4	4	4	4	4	4	1					
	2	May M. Weeks.	10	5	5	5	5	5	3	1			1		



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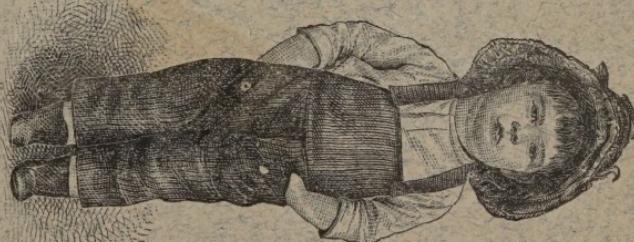
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